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Bengal: DRI seizes 8kg gold at Sealdah, 2 held

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KOLKATA: Sleuths of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence have seized 8kg gold and arrested two persons from Sealdah station for smuggling the yellow metal into the country through Myanmar.

The two accused, both residents of Mizoram, were later produced at a city court.

The DRI officials started working on the input and tracked down a consignment heading towards Kolkata. The accused persons, travelling to Kolkata from Silchar boarded the Sealdah Kanchenjuga express and got down at Sealdah. The officials waiting for the duo apprehended them and

started searching. They found that they had wrapped a total of 50 gold biscuits in adhesive tapes and concealed those biscuits inside their shoes.

In past one month, the DRI has seized a total of 40kg gold in three different hauls.

"The last two seizures were at Siliguri and the metal was brought into the country from Myanmar and Bhutan. In another seizure the gold was bought from China through Nathu La border," said an official with the central investigating agency.